

THE DEPARTMENTS AND THE DEPARTMENT WORKERS

Increase of Clerks in the Treasury—Old Pay Roll Found in Office of Auditor for War Department—15 Patents Granted to Canadians—Closing Days of the Chrysanthemum Show.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

An idea as to the financial growth of the country can be gotten from the fact that in the year 1850 it required only nine clerks to perform all the work in the office of the Treasurer of the United States. The present number on the clerical force is 425.

Sid H. Neely was at the Treasury Department yesterday to bid his friends and associates in the Supervising Architect's Office good-by before leaving the United States for Peking, China, where he will have charge of the construction of the buildings of the United States legation. He left this city last night and will sail from Vancouver on November 17.

In the office of the Auditor for the War Department there is an interesting relic of the early days of the Government. It is the first pay roll ever made out in that office, then known as the Second Auditor's Office. It is dated April 1, 1817, and was written and signed by William Lee, Auditor at that time. The document shows that the entire office force consisted of sixteen employees, and the amount paid out in salaries for the month preceding its date was \$1,432.44. The present pay roll contains the names of upward of 375 persons, who receive each month in salaries an aggregate of \$38,000.

The guides in the Treasury Department who accompany the visitors in the building and explain to them the workings of Uncle Sam's big banking institution are having a lecture prepared for them which they will be required to commit to memory. This scheme will ensure accuracy of statement.

Last year there were 40,000,000 domestic money orders issued by the 33,187 postmasters who are now authorized to issue money orders. This represents \$214,000,000, that was exchanged in the mails in this way. Each money order is returned to the office of the auditor for the Postoffice Department as a voucher, where it is handled five times and checked against the postmaster's accounts before it can be entered in the money order ledger.

William B. Ridgely, Comptroller of the Currency, is in New Orleans, where he is attending the twenty-eighth annual convention of the American Bankers Association. Last night he delivered an address on "The Change in Banking Conditions." Mr. Ridgely is expected to return to his duties by the end of this week.

MARINE HOSPITAL SERVICE.

Dr. Henry R. Carter, of the Marine Hospital Service, has been detailed to attend the sessions of the Egyptian Medical Congress, which will be held in Cairo, beginning December 19 next.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE.

The members of Local Assembly, No. 4, binders at the Government Printing Office, will give a musical extravaganza at the National Rifles Armory on New Year Eve. Fifty men and women are rehearsing for the entertainment under the direction of Charles F. Weston, a member of the union, who can direct a stage performance as well as bind a book. The title of the extravaganza is "A Night at the Roof Garden." In the cast are a number of good voices which, with good, hard drill, it is expected, will make the performance creditable. The funds raised by the entertainment will go into the treasury of the union.

BANK CASHIER MISSING SHORTAGE IN HIS BOOKS

Dunbar Magruder, of Merchants and Farmers' Bank of Woodstock, Absent Since Last Thursday.

WOODSTOCK, Va., Nov. 12.—Dunbar P. Magruder, cashier of the Merchants and Farmers' Bank, of Woodstock, has been missing since last Friday.

An examination of the bank's books show a shortage of several thousand dollars. The assets of the bank will not be affected by the shortage. The bank is operated by private parties, who have made good all losses, and will continue the business without loss to any of its creditors. Nothing has been heard as to the whereabouts of its former cashier. There was no run on the bank today and none is expected.

CHICAGO ANARCHISTS

DECLARE THEMSELVES

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—To an audience of 2,500 persons which crowded the North Side Turner Hall last night, anarchistic speakers openly declared themselves enemies of the Government.

When referring to Czolgosz, who assassinated President McKinley, George Brown, of Philadelphia, upheld the action of the assassin, applause lasting several seconds following.

Last night's meeting marked the fifteenth anniversary of the execution of the five anarchists who incited a riot in Haymarket Square on the night of November 11, 1887.

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

Assistant Secretary Frank L. Campbell will deliver a lecture on April 1 at the National Law School on "Federal Administrative Law." Under this subject he will discuss the present system in the Interior Department.

S. V. Proudfoot, assistant attorney of the department, will follow Assistant Secretary Campbell by a series of lectures treating more particularly of the laws and administration of affairs in the General Land Office.

James T. Parker, chief of the division of public lands, submitted his annual report to the Secretary of the Interior a few days ago, and it will be published within two weeks.

PATENT OFFICE.

The chief of the application room and mail room will hereafter test the inks of all applications and other manuscript records. Those which are unable to stand the tests required will not be made a part of the office records, but will be returned to the writers.

Fifteen patents were issued to Canadians yesterday from the room of John W. Babson, chief of the issue and "Gazette" division. This is the greatest number of patents issued to persons in Canada for some time.

LAND OFFICE.

In the last fiscal year 19,488,535 acres of public lands were disposed of by the Government, according to the annual report of Blinger Hermann, Commissioner of the General Land Office. This is an increase of 3,925,739 acres over last year. Of the aggregate 1,757,533 acres were sold for cash, 17,614,792 were embraced in the miscellaneous entries, and the remainder were Indian lands.

NAVY DEPARTMENT.

Admiral Charles O'Neil is making an inspection tour in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, and Pennsylvania. He is expected to return on next Monday or Tuesday.

The torpedo boat Deatur, which was built by the Trigg Shipbuilding Company, of Richmond, Va., has been accepted by the Navy Department.

Lieut. W. Russell White has gone to Greenpoint, L. I., with the board of engineers in charge of the trials of the submarine boats Adder and Moccasin. He expects to remain in Greenpoint for a week or ten days.

The Navy Department is still making tests of liquid fuel for naval purposes under the supervision of Lieut. Commander John R. Edwards. These experiments will be continued for the next year. Oils from California and Texas are under test.

Capt. J. A. B. Smith, in charge of the steam engineering department of the New York navy yard, arrived in town Monday and says that there is excellent progress on the machinery of the new battleship Connecticut, which is under construction at the Brooklyn navy yard, in competition with the Louisiana at the Newport News Shipbuilding Company.

Commander L. V. Cottman has been detached from the Bureau of Navigation and ordered to duty in connection with fitting out the Wyoming, and to command that vessel when commissioned.

VIRGINIA ODD FELLOWS PURCHASE FINE HOME

To Be Located Near Lynchburg on Fine Estate Containing 141 Acres, Well Improved.

ROANOKE, Va., Nov. 12.—The committee of twelve Odd Fellows which met here yesterday to select a location for the Odd Fellows Home of Virginia decided to locate the home at Wilmer, a suburb of Lynchburg. The fight narrowed down to Salem and Lynchburg as contestants, and twenty-five ballots were taken before a decision was arrived at. The Odd Fellows will purchase the Jaeger farm of 141 acres, which contains a number of brick buildings, and others will be constructed, making a total cost of \$25,000 for the home.

The Odd Fellows and citizens of Lynchburg subscribed \$5,000 in cash in order to secure the home. The home will be for the widows and orphans of Virginia Odd Fellows and for indigent Odd Fellows throughout the State. It will be opened in the early spring, and all lodges in the State will be invited to furnish memorial rooms for the home.

TO OVERHAUL METEOR III.

BIRMINGHAM, Nov. 12.—The London correspondent of the "Birmingham Post" telegraphs that Emperor William has decided to have his American-built schooner-yacht Meteor III overhauled and altered at a cost of £10,000. This is necessary if she is to make a good showing in next year's contests.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

The chrysanthemum show is now practically over, although the public still has access to the building and many pass through each day and examine the flowers. The show which has been a great success is to be closed within a few days.

William Taylor, in charge of field investigations, office of pomologist, has returned from the South, where he has been investigating the pecan industry.

As the time approaches for the convening of Congress the officials of the Department of Agriculture are prepared for a busy season. More demands are made upon this department perhaps than upon any other in the Government by Representatives and Senators desiring packages of seeds. Already requests for next year's garden seed have begun to come in through the mails, and when Congress convenes there is said to be a great many personal requests for seeds to be distributed among constituents.

G. C. Husman, specialist in viticulture, office of pomologist, has been informed of the death of his father, George Husman, Mr. Husman, sr., was a prominent viticulturist, and lived in Napa, Cal.

S. H. Fulton, assistant in pomology, is in Kansas City inspecting fruit shipments.

WAR DEPARTMENT.

Surgeon General O'Reilly will use new style bottles hereafter for the shipment of medicines. Heretofore bottles of nearly every shape were used, which required unnecessary space in packing. Now bottles will be made of various sizes so that when put together they will take up equal spaces of a square foot or two square feet, as the case may be. The bottles will now be put up in corrugated cardboard cases instead of sawdust as formerly.

William B. Davis, of this city, clerk in the record and pension office of the War Department, was promoted last Tuesday from \$1,000 to a \$1,200 clerkship.

Harry O. Naab, of this city, has been appointed under the civil service rules, clerk in the office of the chief of engineers of the War Department, at an annual salary of \$900.

STATE DEPARTMENT.

The Secretary of State has received a report from United States Consul Covert, of Lyons, France, which says that great harm has been done by the phylloxera to the vineyards in certain parts of Italy, which will result in a large demand for American vines for grafting purposes. California grafts are preferred to any others in this country, and it is expected that a further supply will be sent abroad.

General Bragg, formerly consul general at Havana, and now consul general at Hongkong, called at the department yesterday to consult with the authorities in regard to his new duties.

Margaret M. Hanna, stenographer in the office of the Second Assistant Secretary of State, who accompanied Judge William Penfield, the representative of the State Department in the trial of the Pious Fund case before the arbitration tribunal at The Hague, as his stenographer, is again at her desk in the State Department. Miss Hanna was probably the first woman stenographer employed at The Hague.

CRUISER WEST VIRGINIA LAUNCHED IN JANUARY

Quick and Efficient Work in Constructing New Greyhound—Louisiana to Take Waves Same Time.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Nov. 12.—The cruiser West Virginia will be launched in January. Work on the vessel is being rushed with all possible speed, as it is designed to put the new battleship Louisiana on her ways. The Pacific lumber ship may be launched at the same time.

Both vessels will leave the ways in a remarkably short time after keel laying. The Pacific Mail liner Siberia will probably sail for New York Saturday, being now completed. She will be on exhibition there for some time and will take on coal there for her trip around the Horn.

TWO NEGROES WOUNDED IN A BAZAR AFFRAY

Two negroes, Jack Butler and Joseph Mudd, engaged in a cutting affray in G street between First and Second Streets, southwest, at 1 o'clock this morning. Butler was carried to the Emergency Hospital, but his wounds were found to be only light scratches about the face. Mudd was found unconscious a half hour after the fight. He had a severe cut on the abdomen. He is in a serious condition at the Emergency Hospital. Mudd was found fifty feet from the scene of the fight and close by him was an open razor.

DON'T WANT TO PAY DUTY ON SPOILED PINEAPPLES

Supreme Court to Interpret Customs Law.

Whether full duty can be collected on that portion of a cargo of imported fruit which arrived in an utterly worthless condition was the question submitted to the Supreme Court today in the suit brought by S. M. Lawder & Sons of Baltimore, against the collector of that port.

The law specifically provides that when the damaged portion amounts to 10 per cent of the whole cargo the owner may be relieved from payment of duty on that portion by abandoning it to the Government. In the case at point it did not amount to 10 per cent, but the importers protested against paying duty on the damaged pineapples on the ground that they were not received by them or actually brought into port, arriving in an indistinguishable mass that was never landed, but taken from the vessel and dumped in the bay. They said the fruit did not come within the 10 per cent limit for "damaged" goods because it was utterly destroyed.

The board of general customs appraisers sustained the importer's contention, holding the loss should be treated as a short shipment. The collector carried the case to the Federal district court, which confirmed that ruling and finally to the circuit court which reversed it and ordered duty paid on the worthless portion of the cargo of pineapples. The importers then appealed to the Supreme Court for an interpretation of the law on the subject.

MR. MILLARD WISHES DISTRICT HOME RULE

Tells Commissioners All Local Offices Should Be Filled by Washingtonians.

In a personal communication to Commissioner West, of the District Board, Josiah Millard has set forth what in his opinion would be the benefit of home rule for the District of Columbia. By home rule he means the appointment of District men to the local offices. Mr. Millard hopes to see the time when the Recorder of Deeds, Sealer of Weights and Measures, the Judges and attorney for the District shall be selected from residents here.

Mr. Millard declares that the north-east section of the city in particular has suffered from the lack of such appointments. He asserts that his representation on the Board of Commissioners, and therefore without friends.

Mr. Millard discusses at some length the proposed railway terminal and argues that the District should contribute nothing to it. Taxing the municipality \$3,000,000 for it or its accessories Mr. Millard regards as a usurpation of authority on the part of Congress. He asks the Commissioners to protect the rights of citizens in this and other directions.

GENERAL CHAFFEE IS SAN FRANCISCO'S LION

Banquet and Reception Arranged in Honor of the Warrior—Starts for East Thursday.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 12.—General Chaffee and his party will start for the East Thursday evening and will reach Chicago over the Chicago and Northwestern Railway next Wednesday morning.

Tonight General Chaffee will be the guest at a banquet given by the Merchants' Association, and Thursday afternoon, just before his departure for Chicago, a public reception will be held in the auditorium of the Merchants' Exchange.

BISHOP POTTER'S BRIDE TAKES PLASURE TRIP

With Party of Friends on Board Her Private Car, Frome, Mrs. Clark Visits Duluth.

CHICAGO, Nov. 12.—Mrs. Henry C. Potter, the bride of Bishop Potter of New York, passed through Chicago with a party of friends last night on a pleasure trip to Duluth in her private car. The party arrived over the Michigan Central road and was switched to the Northwestern station, whence it started at 10 o'clock for the North.

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DEAD MILLIONAIRE'S BODY BROUGHT HOME

Remains of John W. Mackay in New York.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—On board the steamship Oceanic, which arrived today from Europe, was the body of the late John W. Mackay. Mrs. Mackay was a passenger on the steamer.

A large apartment between decks on the steamer was fitted up as a mortuary chapel and in this the body of the late millionaire rested throughout the voyage.

Princess Colonna, daughter of the Mackays, accompanied her mother to this country.

The remains will be taken to Greenwood Cemetery.

JUDGE TOOK MORRISON'S BOND NOT TO FIGHT

Judge Kimball, in the Police Court yesterday, took the personal bonds of William Morrison, formerly a member of the District Fire Department, not to interfere in the actions of Alvin P. Cunningham, with whom he had a fight recently. Morrison acknowledged hitting Cunningham, but said he acted under provocation.

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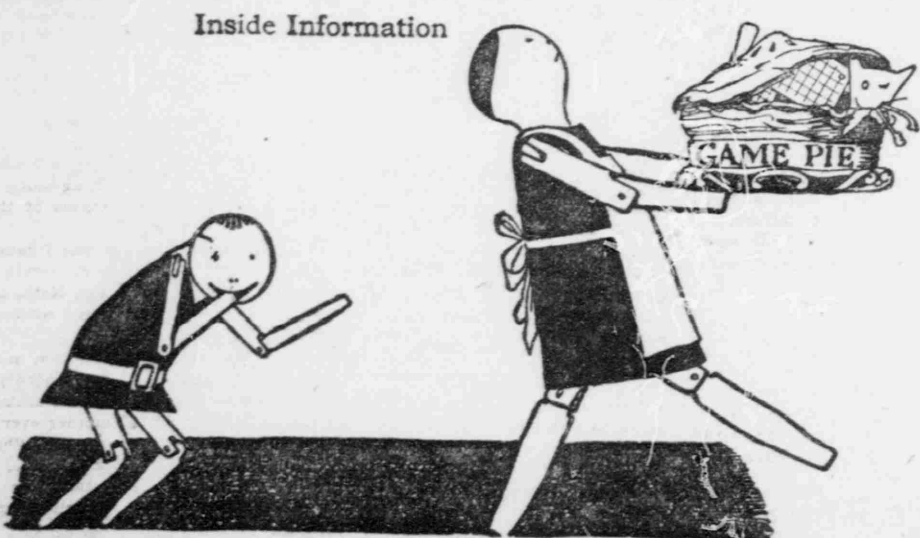
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